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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3679**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kotaro SHIMA

Group Art Unit: 3679

Application No.: 10/582,669

Examiner: V. MACARTHUR

Filed: June 12, 2006

Docket No.: 128332

For: BALL JOINT

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the November 3, 2008 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**